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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1341

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 12, 2013

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Standard Transcripts and College Applications.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Behning

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: *E-transcript Program-* This bill establishes the Indiana E-transcript Program (Program). It provides that the Commission for Higher Education shall administer the Program. It provides that, beginning July 1, 2015, the Program will allow all students at all public high schools to request that their transcripts be transmitted electronically to state educational institutions, participating Indiana not-for-profit or privately endowed institutions, and participating Indiana institutions authorized by the Board for Proprietary Education. The bill requires the Department of Education, in collaboration with state educational institutions and the Commission for Higher Education, to develop a common electronic transcript.

Indiana E-application Program- The bill establishes the Indiana E-application Program to allow applicants to enter frequently requested information into a common electronic college application, which may then be transmitted to state educational institutions, participating Indiana not-for-profit or privately endowed institutions, and participating Indiana institutions authorized by the Board for Proprietary Education. It provides that, on or before July 1, 2014, the Commission for Higher Education, in collaboration with the state educational institutions, shall finalize the Indiana E-application Program. The bill also provides that, not later than January 1, 2015, the state educational institutions must be prepared to accept applications via the Indiana E-application Program. It provides that participating institutions may request additional information from applicants through the Indiana E-application Program after receipt of the initial, common electronic application.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *E-transcript Program-* The Department of Education and the Commission for Higher Education could incur some costs in developing a common electronic transcript. The

cost would probably be one-time and minimal.

Indiana E-application Program- The Commission for Higher Education and state educational institutions could incur some cost in developing a common electronic college application. The costs would probably be one-time and minimal. A state educational institution would still be allowed to request additional information from applicants through the electronic application program after receipt of the initial common electronic application.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The cost to school corporations of transmitting the electronic transcript to postsecondary educational institutions should be minimal.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: The Department of Education, Commission for Higher Education, State Educational Institutions.

Local Agencies Affected: School corporations.

Information Sources:

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